Long Story Short:
The Andrew Ditch Timeline Project
Years: 1985 - 2004

1985 June 7 - Andrew James Ditch was born to Thomas and Janet Ditch in Tonawanda, NY. He had two older half-siblings, Michael (9 years older) and Danielle (age unknown) (Psychological Evaluation, August 1993 / Archive). Jan described Andrew as "happy," "easy," and "a pleasure" as a baby (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, October 1993 / Archive). Unfortunately, there were complications during Jan's pregnancy:

> *"Andrew's mother's pregnancy was complicated by the flu, diarrhea, toxemia and weight loss with abruptio placentae. Andrew was delivered by C-section one week premature secondary to fetal distress"* (WNYCPC Brief-Cognitive Intellectual Assessment, April 2002 / Archive).

1987 or 1988 (Exact Date Unknown) - Andrew underwent inguinal hernia surgery (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, June 1993 / Archive).

1988 - Andrew was enrolled in a Head Start program at age 3. Not long after, he was *"diagnosed with an Expressive Language Disorder"* (Psychological Report - Intellectual Evaluation, July 1993 / Archive).

> *Please note: Andrew claimed that he did not start speaking until as late as age 12* (Video Link, Timestamp: 17:21) *or 14* (Video Link, Timestamp: 33:54). *This is untrue; Andrew was documented speaking "words at 11 months, sentences about 4 years old or later"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, November 1992 / Archive). *Andrew was able to communicate, but not at a level expected for someone his age.*

1988 - 1989 (Age 3 - 4 1/2) - Andrew was *"physically, sexually, and emotionally abused"* by his half-brother, Michael, who was *"subsequently placed out of the home"* (Psychological Report - Intellectual Evaluation, July 1993 / Archive).

> *Please note: As of the creation of this timeline, Andrew currently denies that this abuse occurred* (Video Link, Timestamp: 29:11). *He has made statements implying that his mother and grandmother coached him to lie about being sexually abused so they could have his half-siblings removed from the home* (Video Link, Timestamp: 40:07). *Andrew has also stated that Tom only claims Andrew was sexually abused "as a way to get after" Michael, Danielle, and Tom's ex-wife* (Video Link, Timestamp: 29:11), (Video Link, Timestamp: 1:01:58). *While Andrew's records confirm that sexual abuse occurred, as shown by the volume of references to it and the analysis of Andrew's behavior afterward (behavior that someone his age would be unable to mimic to fit a false narrative told to him by adults), whether Michael was the culprit or not is unclear. The majority of Andrew's childhood records identified Michael as the abuser, however in his videos, Andrew has stated multiple times that a friend of Michael's was his abuser (Video Link,*

Timestamp: 1:00:12), while one recent medical dictation identified both Michael and his friend as Andrew's abusers (Progress Notes, August 2024 / Archive). Andrew's motivation for currently denying that his sexual abuse occurred is that he now realizes abuse of this nature is closely linked to the psychopathology he currently displays (specifically, a paraphilic interest in diapers and scat) (Video Link, Timestamp: 3:58:07).

> *"He [Andrew] has reported sexual behaviors consistent with past sexual abuse"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).

Significant quotes from Andrew's records regarding his abuse:

- *"His half-brother, Michael, threatened to burn the house down and kill the family if he [Andrew] told that Michael put a piece of wood into Andrew's anus and threw Andrew down steps"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, November 1992 / Archive).
- *"Andrew feared that Michael would burn the house, had severe insomnia, and complained of pain in his rectum. He also told his parents that his brother pushed an object up Andrew's rectum. Michael reportedly pushed Andrew downstairs and force fed him deodorant stick"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, June 1993: 1, 2 / Archive: 1, 2).
- *"Patient [...] with severe abuse by half-brother, Michael, resulting in recurrent dreams about him and frequent waking thoughts of Michael hurting him and family"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, November 1992 / Archive).
- *"The parents state that they were unaware that the alleged abuse was occurring, however, it does appear that suspicious behavior of Andy's half-brother was either overlooked or excused"* (Core Evaluation, August 1993 / Archive).
- *"Patient has been sexually fondled with possible insertion behaviors by his brother Michael as a youngster. He has suffered chronic PTSD symptoms from this"* (WNYCPC Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, April 2002 / Archive).
- *"He [Andrew] reports having seen his half-brother, an alleged abuse perpetrator taunting him on the street. The probability of this occurrence is thought highly unlikely and in this and other reportedly rambling verbalizations, Andrew was thought to be dissociating by Outpatient Clinic staff"* (Social Work Intake Admission Note, October 1993 / Archive).

1988 April - Andrew's brother, Joseph Ditch, was born.

1989 - At four years old, Andrew was documented as being *"violent and angry, beating on other children"* in his class (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, November 1992 / Archive).

1989 - September 1991 (age 4 - 6) - Andrew was enrolled in the Language Development Program (LDP) (Psychological Evaluation, August 1993 / Archive), (Stanley G. Falk School Educational Evaluation, November 2004 / Archive).

1990 (Exact Date Unknown) - According to a neighbor, Sue Johnson, Andrew's parents would lock him out of the house when he was five years old:

> "*You had problems when you were five. They used to lock you out of the house, Andy. I threatened to call the cops*" (Video Link, Timestamp: 6:15).

1990 February - Andrew was diagnosed with Adjustment Disorder (Stanley G. Falk School Psychological Evaluation, April 2005 / Archive).

1990 June 19 - Andrew was assessed to have an IQ of 89 (Core Evaluation, October 1992 / Archive).

1991 September - Due to his *"aggressive behavior towards LDP staff,"* Andrew was transferred to a *"12:1:1 Emotionally Disturbed class at the Fletcher School in Tonawanda"* (Psychological Evaluation, August 1993 / Archive), (Stanley G. Falk School Educational Evaluation, November 2004 / Archive).

> *Also: A 12:1:1 classroom means there are no more than twelve students, one full-time special education teacher, and one full-time paraprofessional* (Link).

1992 September 17 - November 25 - Due to his *"'alleged 'physical, mental, and sexual' abuse [...]"* as well as his "*mood swings, encopresis, and physical/verbal aggression,"* Andrew was placed in a special education program (SEP-BOCES) (Core Evaluation, August 1993 / Archive), (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, October 1993 / Archive).

> *Please note: Andrew sometimes points to mentions of encopresis in his older records as evidence that he still requires diapers. This is a deliberate misinterpretation. For further explanation,* click here *or scroll to the bookmark icon on page 4.*

1992 November 25 - 1993 March 22 - Andrew was admitted to the Western New York Children's Psychiatric Center (WNYCPC) inpatient program after putting his fist through a window and *"threatening others and self in school"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, November 1992 / Archive), (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, June 1993 / Archive). While there, he was diagnosed with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, November 1992 / Archive).

Significant quotes from Andrew's records regarding this stay:

- *"Seems to be an ongoing battle with parents without sense that they can protect him and this ultimately leads to his aggressive behavior and defense of 'identification with the aggressor' as when 3 weeks ago he threatened to take out his penis when being interviewed by this writer"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, November 1992 / Archive).

- *"Dr. Kam prescribed Imipramine on a trial basis in 1992 with no clear cut response"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation / Archive).

    Please note: Imipramine is a tricyclic antidepressant.

1993 February - Andrew underwent further surgery on his testicles (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, June 1993 / Archive), (WNYCPC Brief-Cognitive Intellectual Assessment, April 2002 / Archive). Andrew recounted this, stating:

> *"This was like exploratory surgery where they had to really take everything out and look. And they removed it because it was possibly cancerous or precancerous"* (Video Link, Timestamp: 20:25).

1993 June 11 - September 3 - Andrew was admitted to WNYCPC for a second time after he assaulted Joe (Social Work Intake / Admission Note, June 1993 / Archive), (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, October 1993 / Archive).

Significant quotes from Andrew's WNYCPC records during this time period:

- *"[...] this young man has been demonstrating increasing aggressivity both at home and in school requiring of frequent restraint for lengthy periods of time. He has also been self abusive in the form of head banging and biting himself. An assault on brother at home has likely prompted the Ditch's to consent this re-hospitalization in their son's regard as he has presented with potential for dangerousness to both self and others in multiple settings"* (Social Work Intake / Admission Note, June 1993 / Archive).
- *"Andrew was previously on Mellaril […] Parents note that since being on no medication, aggressive behavior has increased"* (Core History Update, June 1993 / Archive).

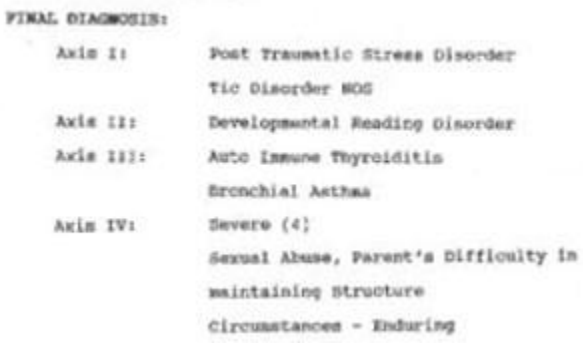
    Please note: Mellaril is an antipsychotic medication typically prescribed for individuals with schizophrenia (Link). *Andrew would have been 7-8 years old while taking Mellaril.*

- *"Kicked his teacher, punched his brother, bit himself, banged his head. Slept poorly. Said that he will hurt himself while being disciplined"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, June 1993 / Archive).
- *"According to the father - Andrew required repeated restraints in school, where he focused on sex- drawing genital anatomy, and being generally unmanageable"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, June 1993 / Archive).
- *"Andrew has a long history of aggressive outbursts, soiling, hitting others, throwing objects; both at home and in school"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, June 1993 / Archive).
- *"Encopretic episodes, which were observed prior to admission, had also reportedly decreased in frequency"* (Psychological Evaluation, August 1993 / Archive).

    Please note: With no mention of medication, toileting schedules, or routine, this statement implies that Andrew's encopretic episodes (soiling himself) are not

purely physiological in nature (being unable to "feel when to go," as Andrew currently claims).

- *"He presents thinking style which brings psychotic process into question, but it is difficult to determine whether he is truly psychotic"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, June 1993 / Archive).
- *Final diagnosis* (Release / Termination Summary, September 1993: 1, 2 / Archive: 1, 2):



FINAL DIAGNOSIS:

Axis I:	Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
	Tic Disorder NOS
Axis II:	Developmental Reading Disorder
Axis III:	Auto Immune Thyroiditis
	Bronchial Asthma
Axis IV:	Severe (4)
	Sexual Abuse, Parent's Difficulty in
	maintaining Structure
	Circumstances - Enduring

- *"The current pattern of thinking displayed suggests a marked predisposition to severe pathology in the future"* (Psychological Evaluation, August 1993 / Archive).

1993 September 9 - Andrew attended the Stanley G. Falk School "*in a 6:1:1 classroom*" (Stanley G. Falk School Educational Evaluation, November 2004 / Archive).

Please note: Andrew often refers to the Falk School as "a school for autistic kids." While some autistic children may attend the Falk School, it is not specifically for autistic children. The Falk School serves "students aged 5-21 years, who have special learning, social and emotional needs" (Link).

Also: A 6:1:1 classroom means there are no more than six students, one full-time special education teacher, and one full-time paraprofessional. These classrooms serve "students with very high needs in most or all need areas" and those whose "behavior is characterized as aggressive, self-abusive or extremely withdrawn" (Link).

1993 October 7 - 1994 April 8 - Andrew was admitted to WNYCPC for the third time after threatening to kill his mother (WNYCPC Release / Termination Summary, April 1994 / Archive).

Significant quotes from his WNYCPC records during this time period:

- *"For the past week prior to admission, Andrew had been defiant and threatened to kill his mother, was aggressive and possibly dis-sociating. The behavior was reportedly triggered in that he alleged he saw his half-brother on the street in the neighborhood [...] On the date of readmission, the patient had reported to school staff that he had seen his*

half-brother on the street 'with his pants pulled down and firing a gun'" (WNYCPC Release / Termination Summary, April 1994: 1, 2 / Archive: 1, 2).

- *"Clinical Summary: This is an 8 year old boy with a past history of sexual abuse by an older half-brother, and a tendency to be aggressive and prone to dissociative episodes when under stress, delusional about his perpetrator stalking him. Parents seem to reinforce the delusional system"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, October 1993 / Archive).
- *"[...] possible neuroleptic medication application was effected on an emergency basis on today's date"* (Social Work Intake Admission Note, October 1993 / Archive).

> *Please note: Neuroleptic medication is also known as antipsychotic medication.*

- *"In interview with Dr. Ramirez Andrew demonstrated dyssociative [sic] symptoms and described himself as 3 different persons"* (Psychiatric Update, January 1994 / Archive).
- *"When subject of different personalities was introduced, Andrew indicated that he talks about '3 Andrews' for the effect it has on adults"* (Psychiatric Update, January 1994 / Archive).
- *"Based on reported history of severe traumatic experiences which include alleged sexual trauma in conjunction with a number of emotionally toxic factors in family history. Andrew's prognosis is guarded"* (Psychiatric Update, January 1994 / Archive).
- *"Weaknesses: History of sexual abuse, language disorder, dissaciative [sic] episodes when under stress"* (Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, October 1993 / Archive).
- *"The marital history [Tom and Jan's] includes some domestic violence that has been observed by both children and seems to have contributed significantly to Andrew's internalized anxiety"* (WNYCPC Release / Termination Summary, April 1994 / Archive).

> *Please note: Unfortunately, this document does not go into any detail regarding the domestic violence, neglecting to mention its frequency, perpetrator(s), or any other significant information.*

- *Final diagnosis* (WNYCPC Release / Termination Summary, April 1994 / Archive):

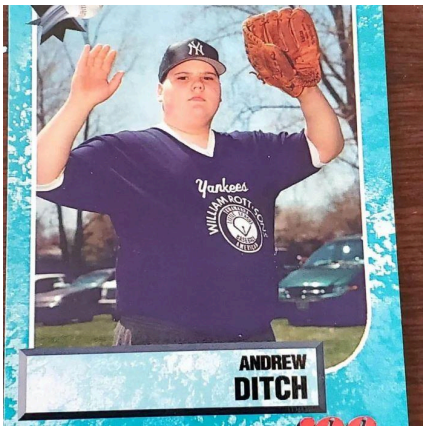
V. FINAL DIAGNOSIS:

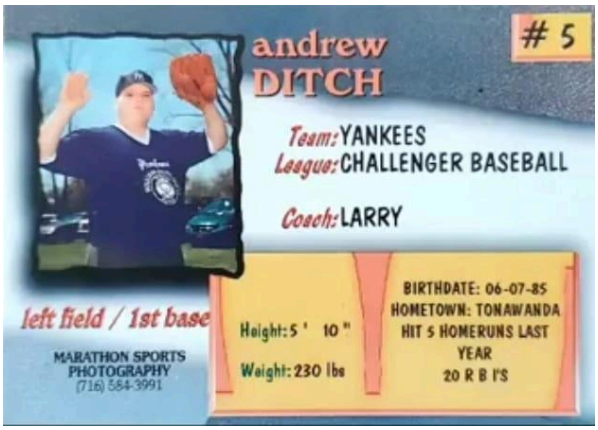
Axis I	Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
	Oppositional Defiant Disorder
Axis II	Expressive Language Disorder
Axis III	Bronchial Asthma by history
Axis IV	Psychosocial Stressors - (4) severe past history of sexual abuse and conflicting family dynamics.

1994 April 7 - Andrew was placed in a residential program at Conners Children's Center *"upon his mother's request"* (Counseling Assessment, February 2002 / Archive).

Please note: Conners Residential Treatment Center is a "program that serves boys ages 5-14 who exhibit severe emotional disturbance" (Link).

1997 (Estimate) - Andrew played Challenger Baseball (Screenshots: 1, 2).





Please note: Challenger baseball is an "adaptive baseball program for individuals with physical and intellectual challenges" that "accommodates players ages 4 to 18" (Link).

1997 December - Andrew was discharged from Conners Children's Center on his parents' request (Stanley G. Falk School Psychological Evaluation, April 2005 / Archive).

1997 or 1998 (Exact Date Unknown) - Andrew, age 12, attacked one of his teachers, breaking her rib (Video Link, Timestamp: 10:00).

> *"When I got out of Conners, I went to a different Falk School. Jason Speth was my teacher aide [...] he changed my diaper and he sexually touched me after I took my shower [...] He touched me when I was in the bathroom on the floor of the bathroom. And he wanted- he said if he put another diaper on me he would do it again and I went running upstairs and I had trouble communicating at that age and I punched my teacher, got restrained, and I kicked a teacher, and broke her rib and I was in restraint all day all afternoon and then I ended up going to ECMC [Erie County Medical Center] after that"* (Video Link, Timestamp: 31:08).
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> *Please note: Andrew claims that he was sexually abused by a teacher's aide immediately before the attack; however, no documentation exists to verify this claim, nor is it mentioned in any of his psychological evaluations.*

1998 July 9 - August 17 - Andrew was admitted to Brylin Hospital, a privately owned mental health hospital for children (Counseling Assessment, February 2002 / Archive).

> *"It was consistently recommended that he needed 1:1 aide assistance and constant adult supervision. Additionally, it was reported that Appellant's [Andrew's] peer interactions were verbally aggressive, sexualized, condescending and inappropriate"* (Giuseppina Bugenhagen's Fair Hearing Summary, September 2021, Page 6 / Archive).

1999 May 20 - Andrew was taken to ECMC for a psychiatric ER visit (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 17 / Archive).

> *Please note: The acronym SPOA stands for "Single Point of Access," a program designed to connect individuals with serious mental illness to various mental health services.*

1999 June 29 - July 2 - Andrew was hospitalized at ECMC for psychiatric reasons (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 17 / Archive).

1999 July 23 - Andrew was hospitalized at ECMC for psychiatric reasons (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 18 / Archive).

1999 July 31 - August 4 - Andrew was hospitalized at ECMC for psychiatric reasons (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 18 / Archive).

1999 October (Exact Date Unknown) - Andrew was sent to East Ferry Detention Center *"after a physical confrontation with his mother and a police officer."* This resulted in Andrew being placed on probation (Stanley G. Falk School Psychological Evaluation, April 2005 / Archive).

1999 November 5 - Andrew was taken to ECMC for a psychiatric ER visit (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 18 / Archive).

1999 November 12 - Andrew was taken to ECMC for a psychiatric ER visit (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 18 / Archive).

2001 August 27 - 28 - Andrew was hospitalized at ECMC for psychiatric reasons (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 18 / Archive).

2001 November - Andrew was placed in Compass House after striking his mother. He lived there for approximately one month (WNYCPC Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, April 2002 / Archive).

> *Please note: Compass House is essentially a shelter for homeless or troubled youths; children from abusive home environments are often taken here.*

2002 March 25 - Andrew was taken to ECMC for a psychiatric ER visit (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 18 / Archive).

2002 Late March or Early April - Andrew was placed in the Erie County Holding Center (WNYCPC Brief-Cognitive Intellectual Assessment, April 2002 / Archive). Although Andrew's available records did not explicitly state the charges against him, documents from that time suggest they were likely related to truancy and aggression toward his family:

- Joe: *"[...] when you were 17 and you beat the living shit out of me?"* (Video Link, Timestamp: 6:00).
- *"He [Andrew] also has been in physical altercations with his brother Joey"* (WNYCPC Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, April 2002 / Archive).
- *"He has recently come to the attention of the Court subsequent to aggression toward his family"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).
- *"Andrew has been chronically truant, aggressive towards his mother"* (WNYCPC Brief-Cognitive Intellectual Assessment, April 2002 / Archive).
- *"He often 'throws his weight around' to get 'what I want' [...] Andrew has injured his father's legs in the past and punched his mother'"* (WNYCPC Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, April 2002 / Archive).

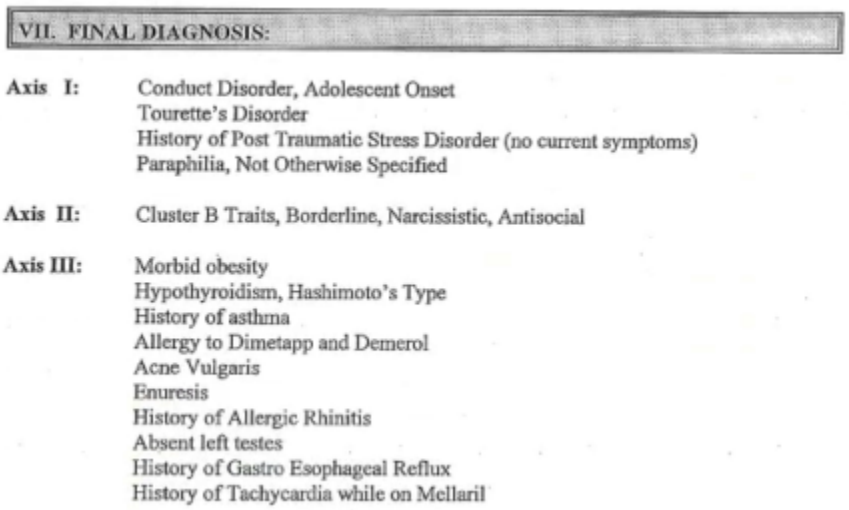
Andrew's records stated that he would be under probation for three years for his offenses (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).

2002 April 2 - July 10 - Andrew was transferred from the Holding Center to WNYCPC, where he was admitted for the fourth time (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).

Significant quotes from psychological records related to Andrew's fourth stay at WNYCPC:

- *"[...] probable PTSD with disrupted psychosexual development secondary to a history of child sexual abuse"* (WNYCPC Psychological Assessment, Part II, April 2002 / Archive).
- *"[...] he [Andrew] did display and verbalized deviant sexual fantasies as well as behaviors of significant sexual pleasure with particular types of cloth and other inanimate objects, i.e., diapers. Juvenile Mental Health Evaluation was done by Mr. Dispenza and he too felt that the diagnosis of Paraphilia Not Otherwise Specified was appropriate for Andrew"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).
- *"He is grossly obese and has difficulty relating effectively to his peers and states he prefers to have relationships with younger children because he finds them more comfortable to be with"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).
- *"[...] it was strongly discussed that part of his probation entail the necessity that he engage in continuing counseling both with his family, himself, as well as group treatment for his Paraphilia Not Otherwise Specified"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).
- *"He clearly demonstrated the capacity to plan and organize his efforts at getting his needs met and would use threats and distasteful, lewd comments as a means of establishing and maintaining his desired environment"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).
- Rorschach test: *"Most adolescents with this level of impairment in reality testing and thinking have difficulty managing basic psychological aspects of every day [sic] living without considerable assistance, structure or supervision and may meet diagnostic criteria for a Psychotic Disorder"* (WNYCPC Psychological Assessment, Part II, April 2002 / Archive).

- *"At the core of Andrew's tendency to become labile, violent and aggressive in order to meet his needs, is an ingrained characterological pattern consistent with the Cluster B Personality Disorders. At this time Andrew illustrates narcissistic, borderline and antisocial tendencies and traits [...] He tends to lack empathy [...] he only displayed remorse for his past violence when he was held responsible for his behaviors, such as being at risk of legal consequences"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).
- *Final diagnosis* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive):



VII. FINAL DIAGNOSIS:

Axis I:	Conduct Disorder, Adolescent Onset Tourette's Disorder History of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (no current symptoms) Paraphilia, Not Otherwise Specified
Axis II:	Cluster B Traits, Borderline, Narcissistic, Antisocial
Axis III:	Morbid obesity Hypothyroidism, Hashimoto's Type History of asthma Allergy to Dimetapp and Demerol Acne Vulgaris Enuresis History of Allergic Rhinitis Absent left testes History of Gastro Esophageal Reflux History of Tachycardia while on Mellaril

- *"Andrew is also on the waiting list for participation in a group offered through Children's Hospital, Buffalo, N.Y. for those who demonstrate sexually inappropriate behaviors"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).

Psychoactive medications listed during Andrew's stay at WNYCPC included Risperdal, Paxil, Depakote, and Vistaril (WNYCPC Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, April 2002 / Archive). He was also given Haldol at *"higher doses"* at one point, *"when Andrew became grossly aggressive and violent"* (WNYCPC Discharge Summary, August 2002 / Archive).

2002 November 10 - Andrew was taken to ECMC for a psychiatric ER visit (details unknown) (SPOA Referral, Client History Records, Page 18 / Archive).

Late 2002 or Early 2003 - Andrew had a cyst removed from his tailbone (Video Link, Timestamp: 18:12).

2003 (Exact Date Unknown) - While taking Andrew to ECMC for a neuropsychological evaluation, Andrew attacked Tom in an elevator (Verified Source, Name Redacted):

> *"When the elevator doors opened, they tumbled out with Andrew still beating up Tom. An orderly called for help, and it took several men to get Andrew off of Tom."*

2003 July - Andrew was hired to work at McDonald's, where he was employed until August 2005 (Video Link, Timestamp: 1:36). He described this time positively:

- *"The best job I had was working at McDonald's while in school. I was in training to be a manager and worked there for over 3 years"* (Link / Archive).
- *"Three months into my employment I earned my first pay promotion when normally you have to wait 6 months after being a new employee. Oops. Huge accomplishment there!"* (Video Link, Timestamp: 14:58).

2004 - The following picture was taken of Andrew (Screenshot):

2004 November - Andrew continued to attend the Stanley G. Falk School's modified high school program in a 6:1:1 classroom (Stanley G. Falk School Educational Evaluation, November 2004 / Archive).

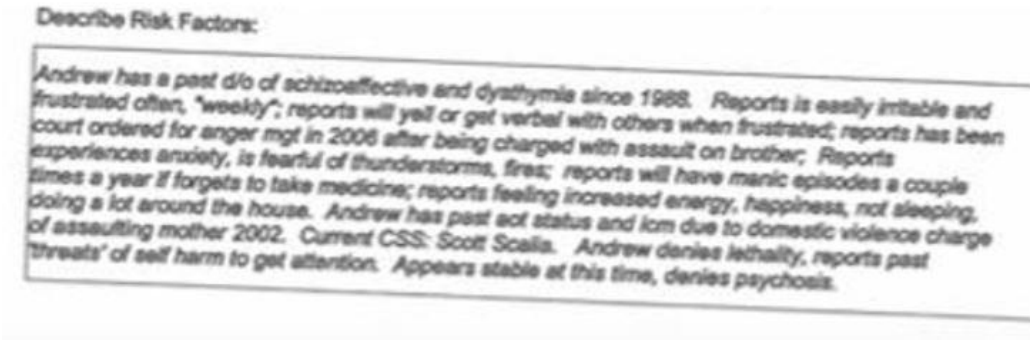
2004 December 13 - Andrew informed staff at the Falk School that he *"bought an on-line high school diploma"* and that he believed *"that he no longer needs to attend school"* (Stanley G. Falk School Counseling Assessment, January 2005 / Archive).

2004, Possibly 2005 (Exact Date Unknown) - Andrew physically assaulted his brother and mother:

> *"Thomas reported that 14 years ago Andrew physically assaulted his brother and mother, and was thrown out of his home by a judge. Andrew kept breaking in at night (by unlocking the door or breaking a window when they changed the locks) and sleeping on the couch until Thomas and Janet gave up trying to kick him out. He also has threatened his parents with knives"* (ECMC Mental Health Assessment, November 2018 / Archive).

Addendum:

The following screenshot was taken from a November 2008 Psychiatric Evaluation Referral Form. It states that Andrew has a past diagnosis *"of schizoaffective and dysthymia since 1988."* However, Andrew would have been only 3 years old at that time, which is far too young for a diagnosis of schizoaffective disorder. This is likely a transcription error, possibly intended to read 1998 or 2008. Because of this, I have excluded the information from the main timeline but have included it here as an addendum so the reader may decide for themselves:



Describe Risk Factors:

Andrew has a past d/o of schizoaffective and dysthymia since 1988. Reports is easily irritable and frustrated often, "weekly"; reports will yell or get verbal with others when frustrated; reports has been court ordered for anger mgt in 2006 after being charged with assault on brother; Reports experiences anxiety, is fearful of thunderstorms, fires; reports will have manic episodes a couple times a year if forgets to take medicine; reports feeling increased energy, happiness, not sleeping, doing a lot around the house. Andrew has past act status and icm due to domestic violence charge of assaulting mother 2002. Current CSS: Scott Scalia. Andrew denies lethality, reports past 'threats' of self harm to get attention. Appears stable at this time, denies psychosis.

I have found two documents that state Andrew sexually abused Joe (Video Link 1, Timestamp: 5:52), (Video Link 2, Timestamp: 15:53). This does not correlate with Andrew's extensive WNYCPC records, which state, *"Patient [Andrew] has no history of being a sexual perpetrator himself"* (WNYCPC Screening / Admission Note and Psychiatric Evaluation, April 2002 / Archive). Because this allegation of sexual abuse is not mentioned anywhere else in Andrew's psychological records, and has never been referenced by any member of the Ditch family in any recording I have heard, I am led to believe that the two instances from Andrew's school documents are errors resulting from miscommunication. For that reason, I have excluded them from the timeline but have included them in this addendum to allow the reader to decide for themselves.